

There were 75 Trinidadians studying in Canada and 47 Canadian teachers and advisers in the two islands during 1965-66.

Latin American Programme

Canada's bilateral assistance to Latin America began when \$10 million was earmarked for exclusive use in that area from the development-loan fund approved by Parliament in 1964. A further \$10 million was added in 1965-66.

The programme is being carried out in conjunction with the Inter-American Development Bank, which has the responsibility for the selection and initial examination of projects for financing with these funds. Canada is consulted at all stages.

The first project was a \$3,240,000 loan to the Port Commission of Acajutla, El Salvador, in connection with a programme of port expansion. The second was for a pre-investment study of the Guayas River basin in Ecuador. Several other loan projects are under consideration.

Jamaica

To feed a rapidly-growing population, Jamaica is interested in developing the potential of its fishing industry. Canada agreed to construct a fishing vessel at an estimated cost of \$125,000 for use in training Jamaican fishermen.

A number of self-help community development projects are under way in Jamaican villages. Canada provided \$100,000 worth of equipment for rural water-storage and distribution. To increase the level of skills in the island, Canada contributed technical-school equipment valued at \$31,000.

Loan agreements were signed for the construction of the Olivier Bridge (\$200,000) and for services in the low-cost housing project at Harbour View (\$725,000).

There were 86 Jamaicans studying in Canada and 21 Canadian teachers and advisers in Jamaica during the year.

Trinidad and Tobago

An aircraft-guiding system for the Port of Spain airport was nearing completion at a cost of \$150,000. To aid the islands in the preservation of timber resources, Canada supplied fire-fighting equipment. Canadian funds totaling \$5 million were available by means of special development loans for lumber for low-cost housing projects, port-handling equipment, prefabricated factory buildings, port warehouses and equipment for rural electrification.